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To the point, Microsoft would have more competition if other operating systems were able to execute their code. The program "Wine" for Linux is such a program. But it is only in the alpha stage and needs a lot of work. But mainly it needs help from Microsoft, documentation on all the APIs so they can be reproduced to allow Wine to run Windows programs as well as Windows does.

But will Microsoft allow this?

There is plenty of documentation on how to use their APIs so software developers can produce Microsoft code. So shouldn't Microsoft release details on how to reproduce their APIs?

If Wine could run 100% of Windows programs, it would give people the choice of either Windows or Linux, giving people a choice of what they use, which we don't have at the moment.

This is a very bad situation we are in now and someone should put a stop to it.

Yours truly Peter Leckie